## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON WORKSHOP FEBRUARY 27, 2014

1. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER The workshop was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

## 2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Rosen, MPT Legg, CM Pappous, CM Beeton, CM Tarlton, and CM Banks. CM Robb arrived at 10:53 a.m.

## 3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion of adopting an Ordinance to make it punishable by a fine of \$2,000 per machine to have any coin/bill/card operated video machines in a business premises that holds an off-license permit to sell alcohol (Pappous/Beeton).

CA Palumbo advised Council that the machines cannot be banned altogether, but the City can levy a tax or fee written as a condition on a specific use permit. She also advised that it may be preempted by State law. Discussion held regarding adopting some regulations that would include--the presence of an attendant, machines to be in open view, limited hours of operation, location must not be within 300 feet of a church or hospital, no minors within 20 feet of the machines. Additional discussion held regarding editing the audit plan to include the audit of sales tax revenues from the machines and if current city permit fees are being paid, and the definition of convenience store in the zoning ordinance that does not include the machines. Staff will bring back an Ordinance for Council's consideration.

B. Discussion of the resolution of water meter issues (Beeton/Robb).

Dennis Siergert and Denise Malloy of Johnson Controls provided Council with the history of radio read failures and pros and cons of keeping the AMR system versus installing an AMI system. Discussion held regarding the same. Johnson Controls will bring back three design options under the current efficiency study.

Motion to extend the meeting to 12:30 p.m. by MPT Legg, second by Mayor Rosen.

For: Mayor Rosen, MPT Legg, CM Robb, and CM Pappous.

Against: CM Beeton and CM Tarlton.

Abstentions: CM Banks.

Motion passes.

C. Discussion of TIRZ appointments.

Discussion held regarding whether term limits applies to the TIRZ boards. CA Palumbo provided a legal analysis that term limits do apply, and that members do not have to be homesteaded in the zone. Discussion held regarding the legal opinion on term limits. Developer Richard Anderson provided a history of TIRZ 11 and stated it is counterintuitive for developers that created it to be pushed off the board.

Discussion of agenda deadlines. D.

None held.

ADJOURNMENT 4.

The workshop was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Janelle Williams, City Secretary